Dr. Jennifer L. Carter







Dr. Jennifer L. Carter currently serves as the Program Manager for the Navy Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) program, an ACAT I program that is delivering an integrated business management capability to the Navy providing financial transparency, optimizing acquisition program and supply chain management, and increasing productivity and efficiency. Dr. Carter's assignment leverages her extensive background in development of Navy systems and her wide range of business, management and oversight experience in the Intelligence Community.

Dr. Carter began her career in federal service as an Electronics Engineer at the Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) in White Oak, Maryland. Her responsibilities progressed from engineering to project management and included the research, design and development of sensors, test equipment, ASW combat systems, communication systems, signal processing, and autonomous underwater vehicle controls. Dr. Carter continued to support the Navy after the BRAC closing of White Oak as a system engineer and project manager at the Johns Hopkins University/Applied Physics Laboratory. Key contributions included providing technical and programmatic leadership for development of the MK30 Mod 2 ASW Training Target and the SSN/UAV interoperability demonstration. As the project manager, she led the successful development and demonstration of the first system to provide flight and payload control of a Predator Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) from a submarine. In parallel with core assignments, Dr. Carter was also a Principle Investigator leading a team of experts in research activities in areas of fault tolerance, UAVs, and precision targeting. Moving back into federal service, Dr. Carter served as a Program Area Manager for the Office of Naval Intelligence delivering advanced intelligence collection systems and effectively managing the transition and modernization of a multi-disciplinary, international program of high Congressional interest.

After more than 15 years in Navy program management and engineering, Dr. Carter entered the Senior Executive Service in 2001 as Chief of Signals Intelligence Systems Engineering. In this role she worked to optimize SIGINT capabilities through integration, architecture alignment and development of standards. In addition, her responsibilities included institutionalizing effective systems engineering processes and discipline across the worldwide SIGINT network. Following this assignment, she became the Deputy Senior Acquisition Executive for the Intelligence Community and was responsible for improving effectiveness of acquisitions to include community wide policy and processes. In 2007, Dr. Carter formally joined the staff of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) as the Chief of Integration for Resource Management. Responsibilities included ensuring effective justification of the Intelligence Community budget, performance/budget integration, monitoring the legislative budget process, and preparing the DNI to justify the National Intelligence Program (NIP) budget to the Office of Management and Budget and Congress. Following this assignment, she was promoted to National Counter-proliferation Center (NCPC) Deputy Director for Resource Management and Investment where she was responsible for not only managing the Center's budget and business activities, but also providing community leadership for investment of mission resources across the NIP. These responsibilities included human capital initiatives, addressing Congressional issues, and representing the mission throughout the DNI's Strategic Enterprise Management process.

Dr. Carter has a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Maryland and a Masters of Science degree in Engineering Management from the Catholic University of America. She recently received her Doctorate of Management from the University of Maryland, her dissertation focusing on evaluating and optimizing government research project portfolios. Dr. Carter is a member of the Acquisition Professional Community and is Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Level III certified in Program Management.